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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action, mailed on September 21, 2001, please amend the application as set forth below. The three month, shortened statutory response period for the above listed application expired December 21, 2001. Therefore, as requested concurrently herewith, per 37 CFR §1.136(a), the Applicants petition for a two month extension of the response period to February 21, 2002. This response is timely filed within the properly extended statutory period, via U.S. Express Mail on Thursday, February 21, 2002, per 37 CFR §§1.7 and 1.10, with the proper extension fee included herewith. No additional fees are required with this amendment and response.